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1. This report is the international preliminary examination report, established by this International Preliminary Examining Authority under Article 35 and transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 4 sheets, including this cover sheet.

3. This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, comprising:

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Box No. I Basis of the report

Box No. II Priority

Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention

Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

Box No. VI Certain documents cited

Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application

Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
 - This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language _____ which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:
 - international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))
 - publication of the international application (under Rule 12.4)
 - international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3)

2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on (*replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report*):
 - the international application as originally filed/furnished
 - the description:
pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
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 - the claims:
pages _____ as originally filed/furnished
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 - the drawings:
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3. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:
 - the description, pages _____
 - the claims, Nos. _____
 - the drawings, sheets _____
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 - any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*) : _____

4. This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).
 - the description, pages _____
 - the claims, Nos. _____
 - the drawings, sheets _____
 - the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
 - any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*) : _____

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

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| Novelty (N) | Claims | 1-6 | YES |
| | Claims | NONE | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims | 2-6 | YES |
| | Claims | 1 | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims | 1-6 | YES |
| | Claims | NONE | NO |

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Reference is made to the following documents:

D1: KR 1998-0134598 Y (NAM, KI-HONG) 23 October 1998
 D2: KR 2001-0249221 Y (JEONG, SANG-HO) 24 September 2001
 D3: KR 2003-0316927 Y (KIM, SUNG-WOO) 05 June 2003
 D4: JP 03-005647 A (MATSUSHITA SEIKO CO., LTD.) 11 January 1991

1. Novelty

The present invention relates to an automatic air purifying window, wherein induction and discharge parts are formed at a window stile to induce and discharge indoor and outdoor air, a purification cartridge is embedded at an inner portion of a lower window stile, and a filter is formed at the purification cartridge so that the air induced through an indoor air induction port can be induced into the room after passing through the filter.

The invention claimed in claim 1 of the present application differs from those of D1 and D2 in the purification cartridge, and differs from those of D3 and D4 in the frame, the discharge part, and the light transmission portion. Therefore, the subject matter of claim 1 is considered to be novel.

Since claims 2-6 refer directly or indirectly to claim 1, the subject matter of claims 2-6 is also considered to be novel.

2. Inventive Step

D1 and D2 relate to an air shaft for windows which is formed at a window frame for ventilation. The present invention differs from the cited inventions of D1 and D2 in purifying air using a filter. However, purifying air using a filter is disclosed in D3 and D4.

Therefore, the subject matter of claim 1 is considered to lack an inventive step as being obvious over a simple combination of D1 and D4 or D2 and D3.

The activated carbon contained in the purification cartridge, and the photocatalyst coating the purification cartridge as set forth in claim 2 are not described in the cited documents. Accordingly, the invention claimed in claim 2 differs from those of D1-D4 in said technical features. In addition, said technical features produce an effect in automatically purifying polluted indoor air. Therefore, the subject matter of claim 2 is considered to involve an inventive step.

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Supplemental Box

In case the space in any of the preceding boxes is not sufficient.
Continuation of:

Box V.

The plurality of skew plates of claim 3, each of which is provided at the discharge passageway formed inside the upper guide member and at the fluid passageway formed inside of the lower guide member, are not described in D1-D4. Accordingly, the invention claimed in claim 3 differs from those of D1-D4 in said technical features. In addition, said technical features produce an effect in preventing outdoor noise from being transmitted to an indoor place. Therefore, the subject matter of claim 3 is considered to involve an inventive step.

The subject matter of dependent claims 4-6 which refers directly or indirectly to claim 3 is also considered to involve an inventive step.